

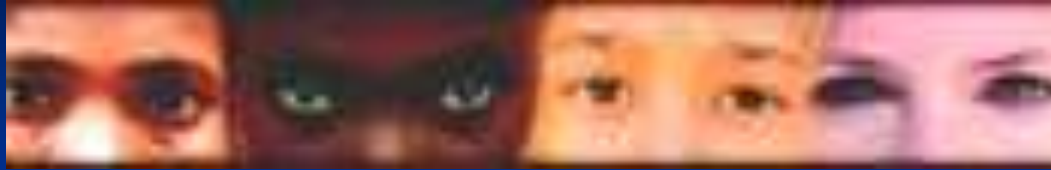


# Human Trafficking Overview

## *Impact on Our Community*

Governor's Conference on Combating Human  
Sex Trafficking in Maryland

May 21-22, 2012



# What is Human Trafficking?

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**Modern Day Slavery:**  
*Mankind's Inhumanity to Man.*

# Two Types of Human Trafficking

(1) **Sex Trafficking:** Commercial sex act induced by force, fraud or coercion, or in which person caused to perform the commercial sex act is under age 18.

- *Victims can be found working in massage parlors, brothels, strip clubs, escort services, advertised online (backpage.com, etc.) or as recovered runways*

(2) **Labor Trafficking:** Using force, threats of force, fraud, coercion or threatened abuse of law to obtain or employ a person for labor or services

- *Victims can be found in domestic situations as nannies or maids, sweatshop factories, janitorial jobs, construction sites, farm work, restaurants, panhandling*

# Dispelling H.T. Misconceptions

## **MYTH 1: HT IS A VICTIMLESS CRIME.**

### REALITY:

Crime of trafficking occurs with the exploitation of the victim, whether or not the victim recognizes herself/himself as a victim.

## **MYTH 2: HT VICTIMS ARE SMUGGLED INTO THE US, OR TRANSPORTED ACROSS STATES LINES.**

### REALITY:

The physical movement of the victim is not a prerequisite.

## **MYTH 3: HT IMPACTS ONLY IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY.**

### REALITY:

- The TVPA protects both U.S. citizens and non-citizens.
- Domestic trafficking is prevalent. US Children are particularly at risk.
- After drug dealing, human trafficking is tied with the illegal arms trade as the second largest criminal industry in the world, and it is the fastest growing.
  - HT is an emerging problem in Maryland.

# PROSTITUTION IS A TERRIBLE LIFE. ESPECIALLY WHEN YOU'RE 13 YEARS OLD.



A year ago, this 13 year old victim of prostitution was a 12 year old child. Unaware of the dangers around her and of the possibility that she could be at risk. Now, having first been seduced by a pimp, she is forced to sell her body daily for his benefit. Sadly, hers is not the only tragedy. Statistics show that hundreds of thousands of children have been lured into prostitution all over the country. These children are forced to have sex with an endless stream of abusers. If they attempt to resist, they are beaten so viciously by their pimps that they live in constant fear of their lives. The suffering that these children endure is unconscionable. That's why we need your help. So to report child sexual exploitation, call the police. Then contact us at 1-800-843-5678 or at [www.cybertipline.com](http://www.cybertipline.com). We will dedicate all our resources to help. Because to us, a child lost to prostitution is still a missing child.



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# Victimless Crime?

- Average age a child is recruited and exploited through prostitution is just 13 years old. <sup>1</sup>
- At least 100,000 children are exploited through child sex trafficking each year. <sup>2</sup>
- Life expectancy after entering prostitution: 7 years

<sup>1</sup> FBI

<sup>2</sup> NCMEC

<sup>3</sup> FBI



# Victimless Crime?

- 85% of women exploited through prostitution reported history of sexual abuse in childhood; 70% reported incest. <sup>1</sup>
- 83% of women in prostitution are victims of assault with a deadly weapon. <sup>2</sup>
- 92% stated that they wanted to escape prostitution immediately but didn't know how. <sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Melissa Farley PhD Prostitution Research & Education

<sup>2</sup> National Coalition Against Sexual Assault

<sup>3</sup> Melissa Farley "Prostitution in Five Countries: Violence and Posttraumatic Stress Disorder"

# Human Trafficking in MD

- Since July 2011 – 61 survivors of human trafficking
- 59 U.S. Citizen victims/ 2 Foreign-born Victims
- All sex trafficking victims except 1
- 17 minors/44 adults
- Pimp-controlled (non-familial) domestic sex trafficking is the most common form of trafficking in Maryland
- 10 girls sold first by a family member as a child. Out of those 10 girls, 8 were later recruited and sold by a non-familial trafficker

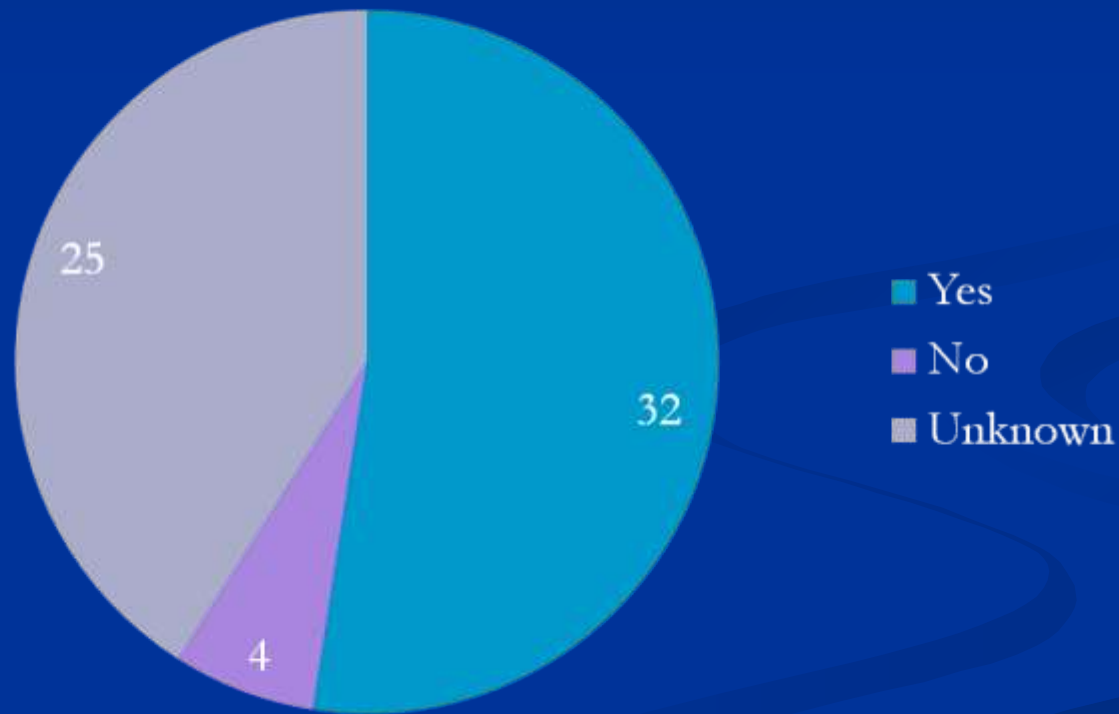


# Ages of Victims



# Childhood Sexual Victimization Prior to Sex Trafficking

Prior Victimization



# Pattern of Victimization

- Childhood sexual abuse in the home
- Youth attempting to gain control over victimization in the home by running away
- Youth targeted by traffickers who take advantage of their vulnerabilities
- Recruitment can occur: online, malls, bus stations, schools, group homes, hotels

# Impact on Our Community

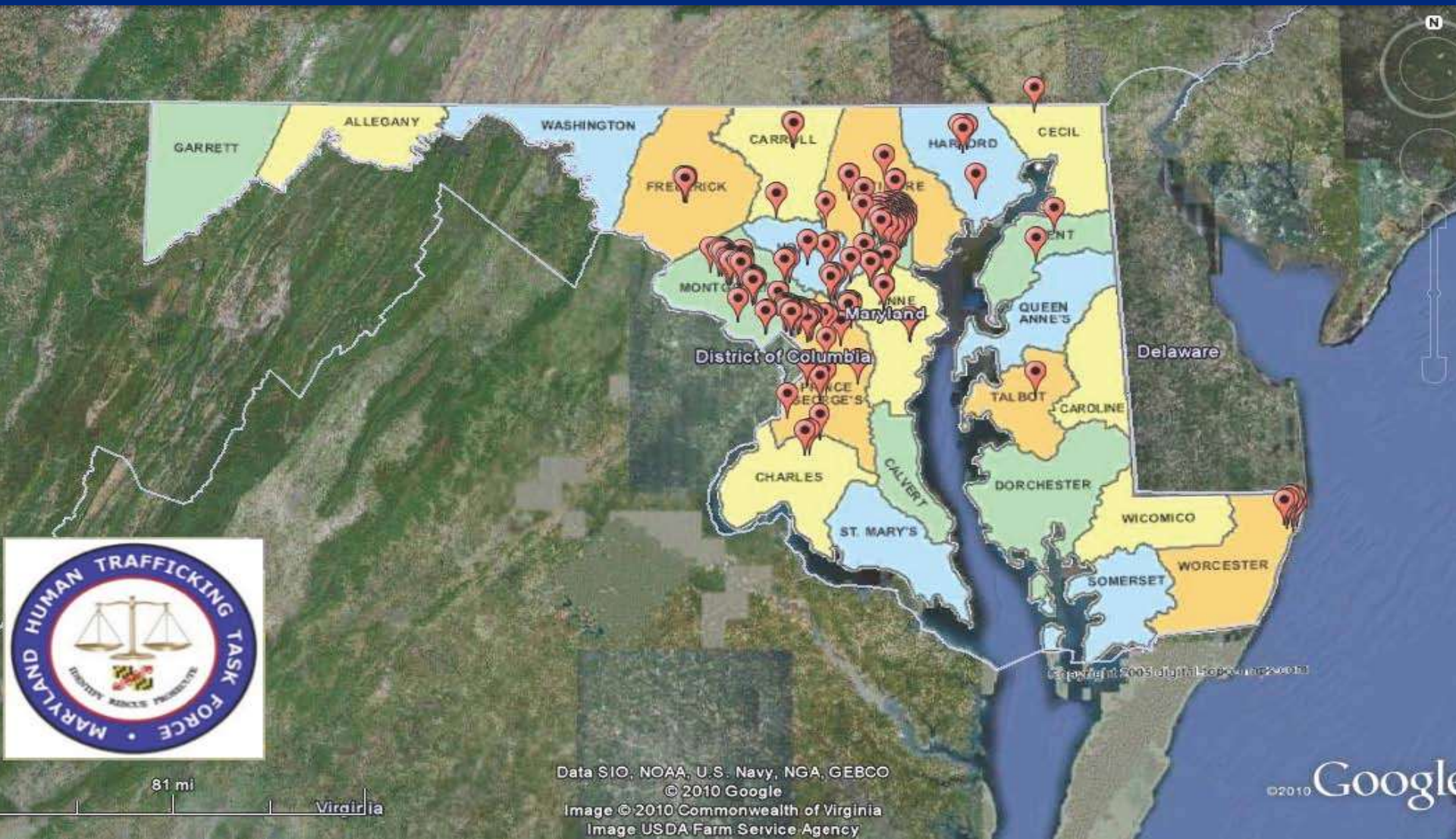
- Violence – assaults, rape
- Pimps – familial and non-familial
- Child Prostitution
- Child Abuse
- Child Pornography
- Drug trafficking and abuse
- Illegal immigration
- Health impact - communicable diseases – HIV, STDs

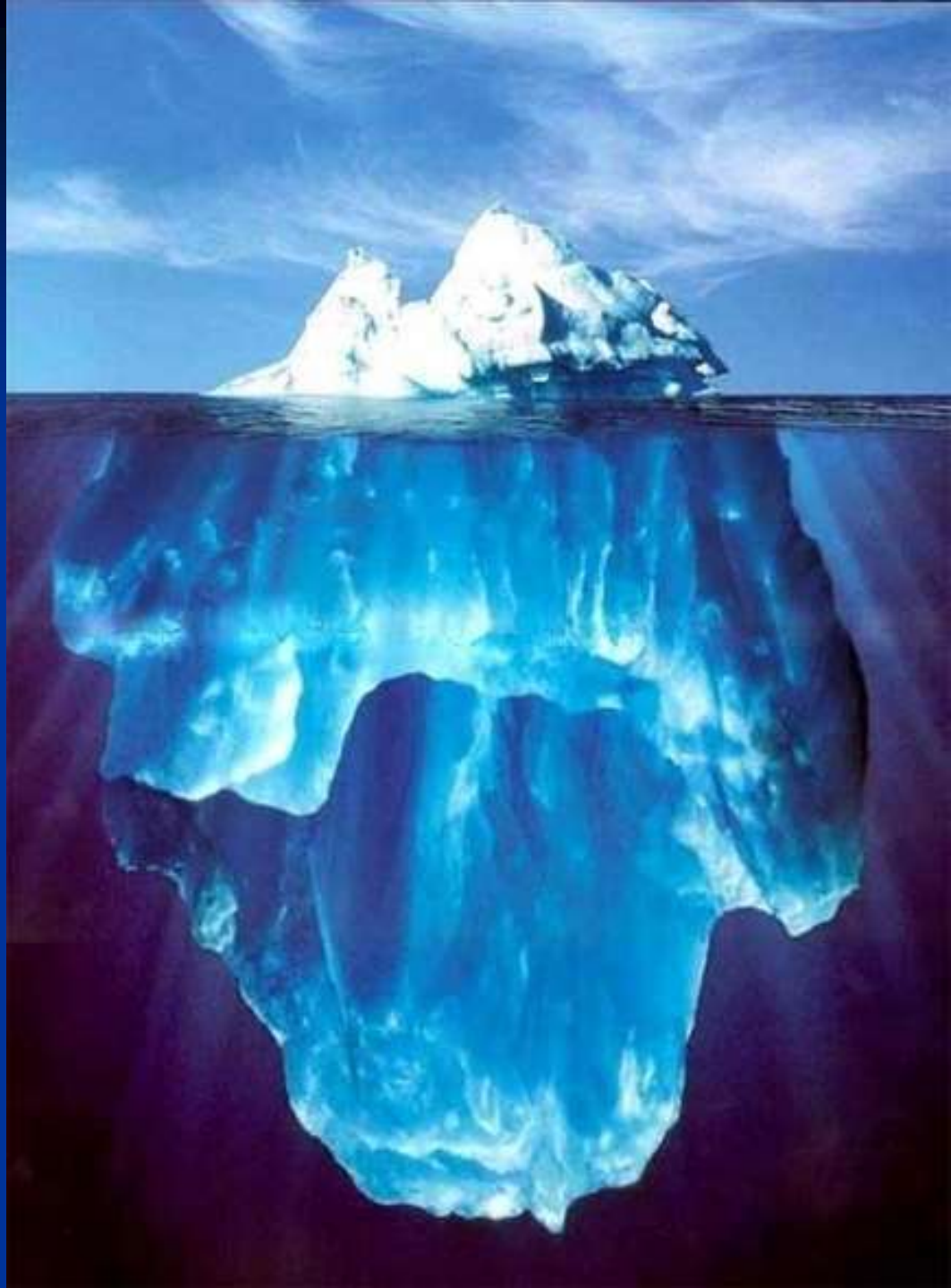


# Preliminary Compilation of Human Trafficking Cases in Maryland

**\*\*May Not Contain Every Reported Incident\*\***

Prepared by the Maryland Human Trafficking Task Force, November 2010







# Where Does Human Trafficking Hide?



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# Recognizing Violations

- Local law enforcers most likely first to come upon crimes of human trafficking
- Look beneath surface of other crimes and scenarios to expose crimes of human trafficking:
  - *Prostitution rings (brothels, escort services, massage parlors)*
  - *Runaways*
  - *Pornography*
  - *Illegal operations of massage parlors, strip clubs*
  - *Public locations: Truck stops, shopping malls*
  - *Domestic abuse*
  - *Vice raids involving foreign nationals*
  - *Crimes involving immigrant children with no guardians*

# LOOK BENEATH THE SURFACE

Human Trafficking is Modern-Day Slavery

The next prostitute, stripper, illegal immigrant, runaway youth, domestic servant, or migrant worker you encounter or take into custody may be a victim of human trafficking.

Helping trafficking victims can help you shut down the real criminals. And there are services available to victims who assist in your prosecution.

**Call 1.888.3737.888**  
to shut the traffickers down for good.

For more information about human trafficking visit [www.atfhs.gov/trafficking](http://www.atfhs.gov/trafficking)



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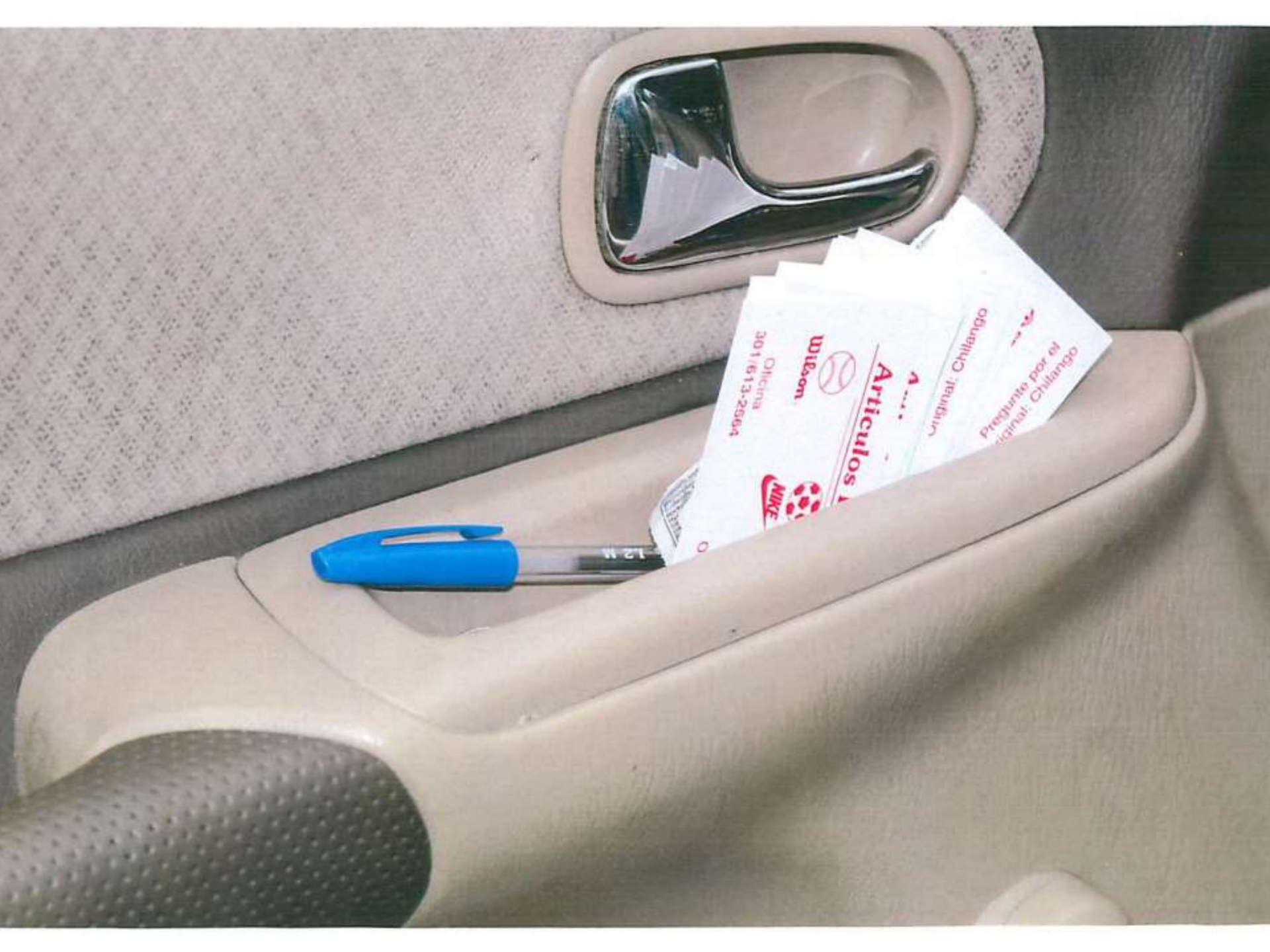












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# Awareness Strategy

- Education and training essential to the broader community – increase potential sources of information and develop early warning system
  - Teachers/Guidance Counselors
  - Public safety- fire, ems, parole and probation
  - Juvenile Services
  - DSS and CPS
  - Government Regulators – building, health, etc.
  - Business community; faith community
  - Neighborhood and Civic Groups

# Questions to Consider

- Is he/she a runaway? Has he/she runaway before?
- Does he/she have freedom of movement?
- Has she/he been threatened?
- Has he/she abandoned prior friends, become isolated?
- Has he/she coached on what to say to adults?
- Is he/she in possession of ID or travel documents? If not, why not?
- Can she/he freely contact friends or family?
- Has he/she been denied food, sleep, medicine?



# Victims of Trafficking and Their Unique Needs

Four general areas of victim needs:

- **Immediate & Comprehensive assistance**
  - *Housing, food, medical, safety assessments, language interpretation and legal services*
- **Ongoing Case Management and Support**
  - *Intensive and wrap-around services*
- **Mental Health**
  - *Trauma-informed counseling*
- **Victim Advocacy**
  - *Legal services: T visa, immigration, certification,*

# Communicating with Victims of Human Trafficking

- Fear of arrest/deportation → The TVPA and MD HT law outlines rights and access to services for victims. (visas/crime victims compensation)
- Does not Identify as a Victim → You are a victim/survivor, not a criminal. What is happening to you is wrong.
- Distrust of law enforcement/service providers → Building rapport for first point of contact is critical. Be non-judgmental!! Immediate services are crucial.
- Unaware of rights → You have rights. You have the right to live without being abused.

# The Federal Laws

- Involuntary Servitude and Slavery Crimes (ISS)
  - 18 U.S.C. § 1581 (Peonage)
  - 18 U.S.C. § 1584 (Involuntary Servitude)
  
- Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA)
  - 18 U.S.C. § 1589 (Forced Labor)
  - 18 U.S.C. § 1590 (Trafficking into Servitude)
  - 18 U.S.C. § 1591 (Sex Trafficking)
  - 18 U.S.C. § 1592 (Document Servitude)
  - 18 U.S.C. § 1593 (Criminal Forfeiture)
  - 18 U.S.C. § 1594 (Attempts)

**FEDERAL CASE = FEDERAL PENALTIES.**

# Other Federal Statutes to Consider

- Mann Act, 18 U.S.C. §§ 2421-23
- Immigration Laws, 8 U.S.C. §§ 1324, 1328
- Labor Laws, 29 U.S.C. §§ 1801, 1851
- Money Laundering, 18 U.S.C. §§ 1956-57
- Extortion, 18 U.S.C. § 894
- Kidnapping, 18 U.S.C. § 1201
- Hostage-Taking, 18 U.S.C. § 1203
- Child Pornography, 18 U.S.C. § 2251, 2252



# Maryland Law- Annotated Code

- Human Trafficking – Criminal Law Article 11-303
- House of Prostitution – Criminal Law Article 11-306
- Receiving Earnings as a Prostitute – Criminal Law Article 11-304
- Abduction of a Child Under 16 – Criminal Law Article 11-305
- Sex Crimes Generally – Criminal Law Article – 3-301 - 323



# Human Trafficking in Maryland

**“Alleged New York Pimp Indicted in Maryland for Sex Trafficking, Kidnapping, and Gun Crimes.”** -DOJ Press Release 4/25/2012

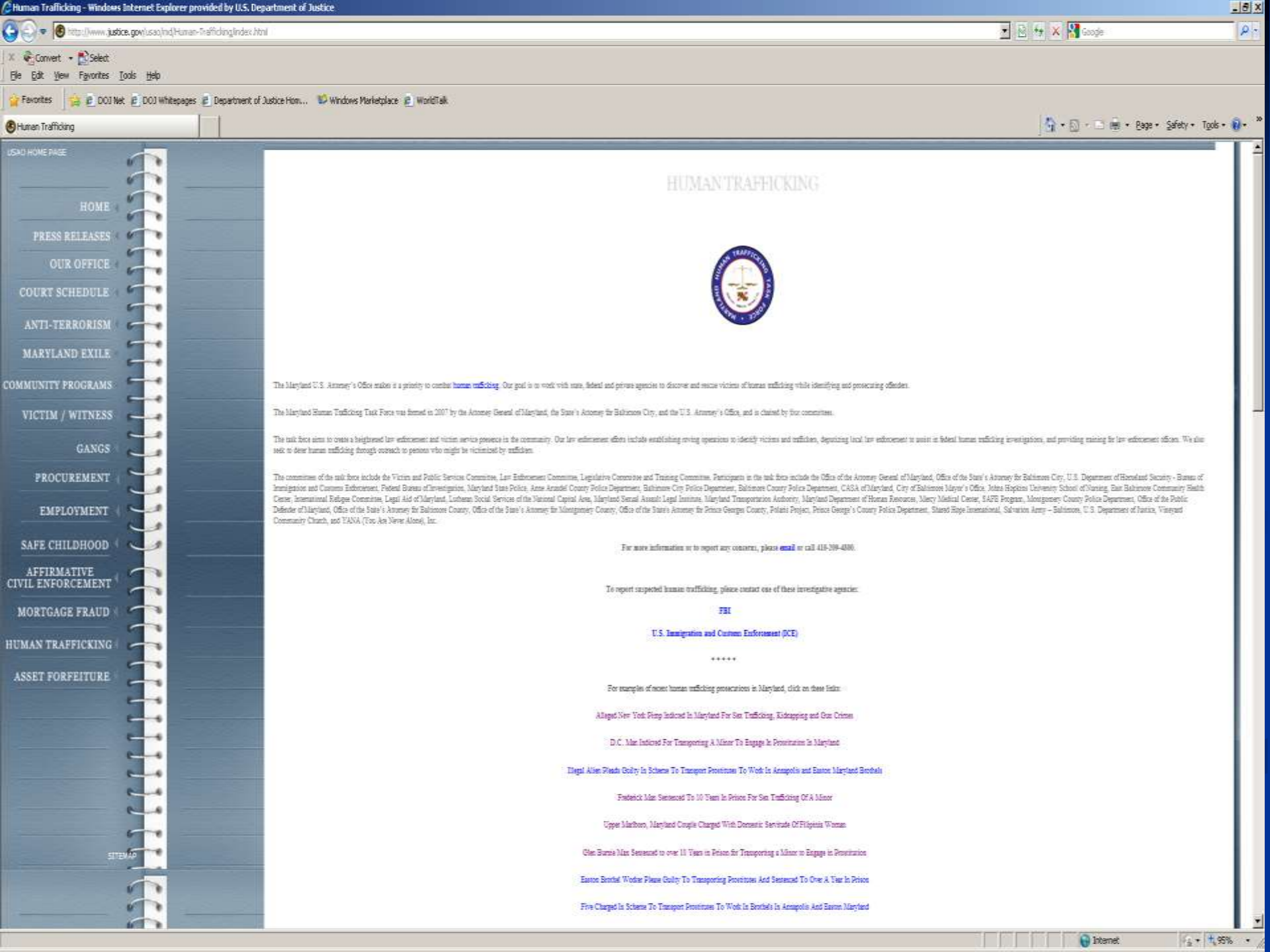
**“D.C. Man Indicted for Transporting a Minor to Engage in Prostitution in Maryland.”** -DOJ Press Release 3/28/2012

**“Illegal Alien Pleads Guilty in Scheme to Transport Prostitutes to Work in Annapolis and Easton, Maryland Brothels.”** -DOJ Press Release 11/1/2011

**“Frederick Man Sentenced to 10 Years in Prison for Sex Trafficking of a Minor.”** -DOJ Press Release 8/15/2011

**“Upper Marlboro, Maryland Couple Charged with Domestic Servitude of Filipina Woman.”** -DOJ Press Release 6/8/2011

**“Glen Burnie Man Indicted for Sex Trafficking of a Minor “**  
-DOJ Press Release 10/21/2010



# Case Studies

United States v.

Byron Thompson





## Case Studies, cont.

United States v.

Dwayne Mason (“Zway”) &

James Davis (“Jay”)

State of Maryland v. Mera Fraley

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Eye Color: Brown  
Race: White

Height: 5' 4"  
Weight: 140 lbs.  
Gender: Female



Victoria (Torl) Ann Watts

If you have any information on this child, please contact:

Contact: Anne Arundel County Police  
City / State: Glen Burnie, MD  
Zip Code: 20724  
Email: cinlou07@verizon.net

Phone # : (410) 222-6155  
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## Additional Information:

Please help me find my daughter, she is our joy and the light in our life.

[REDACTED] likes big hoop earrings, skinny jeans. Her natural hair is brown, but she dyes it blonde to match her bubbly personality. Please help us to help her. [REDACTED] If you see this somehow anytime anyway please contact Mom or Dad anytime of the day or night. We will come for you. We love you so much, our hearts are broken without you.

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U.S. v. Craig Corey, Jacob Tyler, Robert  
Harris, and Richard Johnson

# The Pimps



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# It Takes a Village

- Investigators
- Prosecutors
- Victim-Witness Specialists/Advocates
- Counselors
- DSS., CPS, Juvenile Services
- Family Support

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VICTIMS



# Maryland Human Trafficking Task Force

Formed in 2007 by the Attorney General of Maryland, the State's Attorney for Baltimore City and the U.S. Attorney's Office

Our Mission is to work collaboratively with state, federal and private agencies and organizations to identify and restore victims of human trafficking while investigating and prosecuting offenders



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